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At the time of the Survey, St. Mary's congregation was planning major revisions in the church property. The parish house was to be remodeled, and the church building was also to be extensively remodeled. Structurally, the buildings are all in sound condition, including the brick rectory which is adjacent to the other property of the congregation. It is reported that the rectory needs fairly extensive roofing work. The alterations of the parish hall and the church building are planned to make it a more serviceable unit, in the light of the ministry to the college community and to the non-academic community in surrounding areas.

THE CHURCH NEIGHBORHOOD

St. Mary's Church is surrounded by the University of Pennsylvania Campus, which is an increasingly complex institution having various related institutions in the immediate vicinity. In addition to University buildings and living quarters for University personnel, the area also includes row housing which is unrelated to the University. A considerable amount of new building is planned so that the general neighborhood is somewhat in a state of flux.

From 1950 to 1960 the population trend has been downward, a trend which may be leveling off at present.

The City of Philadelphia has been divided into numerous census tracts and for the purposes of the Survey, the tract in which St. Mary's buildings are located, 27-B, and the five adjacent tracts have been designated as the parish area for the church. The following tables give information on population characteristics and changes as of 1960. In spite of the developments which have occurred since 1960, the tables may be of value, if only in measuring the degree of change. The first table shows the pattern of decreasing population and the atypical age distribution of the residents. Many of the tracts show strongly the influence of the University dormitories, having very few youngsters and also few older adults. Census Tracts 27-B and C show that configuration most clearly.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	POPULATION		%	%	%	MED.	
	1950	1960				AGE	
			CHANGE	14 & UNDER	65 & OVER	M	F
24-G	5,323	4,075	-23.4	25.1	10.6	35.0	36.0
24-I	NA	6,060	-	26.4	10.6	31.7	30.4
27-A	3,989	2,831	-29.0	5.6	19.1	25.4	27.7
27-B	9,499	7,337	-22.8	7.0	13.2	25.0	37.2
27-C	9,443	7,700	-18.5	12.1	18.6	33.4	45.4
27-E	9,094	3,319	-18.9	5.5	9.4	20.3	30.0

The next table gives information on the education of adults, 25 years or more as of 1960. The median education refers to the number of formal years of school completed by the adults. There is a substantial range of median school years completed, but the general level is a moderate one.

EDUCATION OF ADULTS 25 YRS. OF AGE & OVER

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	%	%	%	
	H.S. GRAD.	COLLEGE 1-3 YRS.	COLLEGE GRAD.	MED. ED.
24-G	18.9	5.8	2.0	9.0
24-I	16.5	4.4	6.1	8.9
27-A	13.9	8.1	19.0	10.5
27-B	19.2	12.6	24.8	12.3
27-C	22.5	11.8	21.1	12.2
27-E	14.1	4.4	15.6	10.0

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The following table gives information on the non-white population. In most areas the proportion of non-white people decreased from 1950 to 1960, although Census Tract 27-C showed a sharp increase. The area as a whole, shows quite a variation in the proportion of the non-white population to the total.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	NON-WHITE POPULATION		%	%
	1950	1960	CHANGE	NON-WHITE
24-G	4,427	3,399	-9.7	98.1
24-I	NA	4,812	-	79.4
27-A	660	529	-19.8	18.7
27-B	1,108	1,012	- 8.7	13.8
27-C	455	1,005	120.9	13.1
27-E	750	877	16.9	26.4
		12,234		39.1

The following table contains data derived from a summary of the membership map submitted by churches of the diocese. As the table is studied, it should be noted that the Episcopal Church throughout Philadelphia reaches people equal in number to 2.0% of the 1960 population. It should also be noted that St. Mary's Church buildings are in Census Tract 27-B.

CENSUS TRACT OR ZONE	TOTAL POP.	TOTAL EPIS.	% OF POP. EPIS.	TOTAL PARISH MEMB.	% EPIS. MEMB.	% PARISH MEMB.
24-G	4,075	65	1.6	0	-	-
24-I	6,060	114	1.9	5	4.4	1.5
27-A	2,831	67	2.4	8	11.9	2.5
27-B	7,337	198	2.7	77	38.9	23.6
27-C	7,700	269	3.5	109	40.5	33.4
27-E	3,319	14	0.4	3	21.4	0.9
	31,322	727	2.3	202	27.8	61.9

Generally speaking, the Episcopal Church is not well represented, the proportion being only a little above the average. St. Mary's Church reports a small proportion of the total Episcopalians, finding about 62% of its own membership within its own vicinity.

THE CHURCH PROGRAM

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In addition to filling out the Church Self-Study Form, the congregation of St. Mary's Church provided welcome additional information on proposals for the future of the congregation, and upon ways in which the congregation is working which do not fit the stereotype. The attention of the congregation is drawn to that Church Self-Study Form and its addenda, prepared by the Local Survey Committee and reproduced in the following pages. That information provides much of the basic data which the General Division of Research and Field Study has about St. Mary's Church, information which is reflected in the Discussion and Recommendations section of this report. If the congregation has not already done so, it is urged to study the material carefully as part of the long-range planning which is being carried out.

GENERAL DIVISION OF RESEARCH AND FIELD STUDY
Episcopal Church Center
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New York, N. Y. 10017

Date 3/11/64

CHURCH SELF-STUDY FORM

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I. IDENTIFICATION

Church St. Mary's Hamilton Village
Street 3916 Locust St City Philadelphia 4
County Philadelphia Diocese Pennsylvania
Parish or Mission _____ State Pennsylvania
What geographic area does this church serve? University City
West Philadelphia, from River to 48th, Market to Baltimore Ave.

II. THE CHURCH NEIGHBORHOOD

A. The church is located in a section of the city which is occupied by:

Downtown commercial uses _____ Industrial uses _____ Apartment dwellings ☒
Rooming houses ☒ Single-home dwellings _____ A college ☒ Military
uses _____ Other institutions ☒

B. If more than one type is checked above, please clarify: We are on the UP campus with non-university housing and several hospitals near-by

C. Is the church neighborhood changing in any way? Describe: Yes. Urban renewal in the form of development by the UP campus by 1970 is in progress. New housing school bldgs. etc are planned.

D. The following schools are located within the church neighborhood:

<u>PUBLIC GRADE SCHOOLS</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>Callie</u>	<u>1200 Locust St.</u>
<u>Don</u>	<u>1200 Locust St.</u>
<u>Don</u>	<u>1200 Locust St.</u>

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**PUBLIC JUNIOR AND SENIOR
HIGH SCHOOLS**

Westside High Sch

ADDRESS

117th Walnut St

PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL NURSERY SCHOOLS

Mulberry Tree N.S.

ADDRESS

41st & Pine Sts

Little Flower R. S. + Kindergarten

11425 Spruce

PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL GRADE SCHOOLS

St James RC Parish

ADDRESS

38th & Chestnut

St Leonards RC Academy

39th "

Millard Park Day School

42nd & Baltimore

**PRIVATE OR PAROCHIAL JUNIOR AND SENIOR
HIGH SCHOOLS**

West Catholic Girls

ADDRESS

45th Walnut

JUNIOR COLLEGES AND COLLEGES

Univ of Penna

ADDRESS

33-39, Chestnut - P. 1c

Drexel Inst. of Tech.

328 Chestnut Sts

Phila College of Osteopathy

48th & Spruce Sts

III. HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATION

Please write out a short history of this congregation. How was the work started? Give the important dates and events.

Refer to attached text prepared
by Mr. Webster M. Christman.

IV. THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

A. Church properties:

1. Describe and give location of all land owned by the congregation, reporting the use of each parcel.

LAND LOCATED WITHIN AN AREA BOUNDED BY
40 STREET TO THE WEST, 39 STREET TO THE EAST,
IRVING STREET TO THE SOUTH, LOCUST ST TO THE NORTH

2. Type of church building: Frame _____ Brick _____ Stone ☒ Other _____
(type)

Describe the church building, giving number of sittings; condition of building; and improvements needed, with estimated cost.

SAINT MARY'S CHURCH HAS A CRUCIFORM PLAN. THE
LONGITUDINAL AXIS OF THE CHURCH IS APPROXIMATELY
110'-0" AND THE LENGTH ACROSS THE TRANSEPTS
IS 81'-0". IN THE NORTH TRANSEPT IS ST. PHILIP'S
CHAPEL. IN THE SOUTH TRANSEPT IS ALL SAINTS
CHAPEL. THE BAPTISTRY IS LOCATED ALONG THE NORTH
WALL OF THE NAVE. THE INTERIOR CONDITION OF
THE CHURCH IS FAIR AND THE EXTERIOR IS GOOD
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE STEEPLE. REFER
TO PARAGRAPH XVI A 2 FOR NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS.

★ Replacement Value \$ _____ Amount of insurance carried \$ ★

3. Type of parish hall or house: Attached _____ Separated ★;

In basement of the church _____; Frame _____ Brick _____

Stone ☒ Other _____
(type)

★ CONNECTED WITH THE
CHURCH BY AN
ENCLOSED CLOISTER.

Describe, giving the number of rooms, the condition of the building, and improvements needed, with the estimated cost.

TWO STORY BUILDING WITH FULL BASEMENT. THE
BUILDING IS IN FAIR CONDITION. THE FIRST FLOOR HAS AN
ASSEMBLY ROOM, KITCHEN & DISH WASHING AREA,
OFFICE, POWDER ROOM. SECOND FLOOR HAS AN
ASSEMBLY ROOM, NURSERY, MUSIC ROOM & POWDER
ROOM. THE SECOND FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM WILL BE
CONVERTED INTO

★ Replacement value \$ _____ Amount of insurance carried \$ ★

4. Type of rectory or clergy house: Attached _____ Separated _____;
Frame _____ Brick ☒ Stone _____ Other _____
(type)

Describe, giving the number of rooms, the condition of this building,
and improvements needed, with estimated cost.

THREE STORY HOUSE WITH ROOMS, BATHROOMS,
KITCHEN & FULL BASEMENT. HOUSE IN FAIR
CONDITION. REQUIRES NEW ROOF COSTING \$2,500 TO \$4,500

Is it used as a clergy residence? ☒ If not, what use is made of
the building?

Replacement value: \$40,000 Insurance carried: \$ REFER TO PARA I
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5. Describe all other buildings owned or used by the congregation, giving
(a) type of construction; (b) number of rooms; (c) condition;
(d) improvements needed and estimated cost; (e) replacement value;
(f) amount of insurance carried; and (g) present use.

B. Membership (secure from parish records):

1. Number of church families: Total number 54
 Number of individuals not in families 141

only earlier figures available would be in the Episc. Annual

2. Baptized membership Communicants Church School

1950	1960	Now	1950	1960	Now	1950	1960	Now
	289	289			123			41

3. Number of baptized members who were removed from the parish list

5 yrs. ago	4 yrs. ago	3 yrs. ago	2 yrs. ago	Last year
				48
				48 (net)

4. Communicants added:

By confirmation from Episcopal families					0
By confirmation from other Churches					7
By reception from other Churches					0
By baptism and confirmation from no church					2
Total					9

5. Attendance:

Number of communicants who attended regularly last year	100
Number of communicants who attended occasionally	15
Number who did not attend last year, but lived in the community	3
Number of communicants who did not live in the community, but were on the parish records, not transferred	5
6. How many persons attended the last annual business meeting?	52*

V. WORSHIP

A. List schedule of regular Sunday services, including church school:

TYPE OF SERVICE	HOUR	ATTENDANCE (Adults & Children)*		
		LOW	AVERAGE	HIGH
H.C. + homily	8 AM	8	20 28	35
Sung M.P. & H.C. + sermon	10 ³⁰ AM	50	150	230
Evening song & sermon	5 PM	20	35	60

(Only one Sunday per mo.)

*Use figures from Church Service Register

B. Weekday services:

TYPE OF SERVICE	DAY AND HOUR	LOW	ATTENDANCE*		HIGH	
			AVERAGE			
E.P. & Intercessions (M-F, Sep-Jun)	5:00 PM	2	6	12		Below figures do not include Ascension, All Saints, Ash Wed, Good Fri, Urban attendance
H.C.	W & F 7:30 AM	3	8	12		
H.C.	M & Th 5:30 PM	4	9	35		
H.C.	Tues 11:00 AM	3	8	27		Reaches 150
H.C.	Sat 8:30 AM	5	10	18		weekdays

*Use figures from the Church Service Register

C. Special services or missions held during the average year (including Lent):

Using regular hours, we sometimes have
Sung Weekday Eucharist, Dinner afterwards for
special visitors, Feast Days & during Lent

D. Number and nature of services in which this congregation participates with other Episcopal congregations. State average attendance from this congregation:

E. What experiments or adjustments have been made in changing the hours or the format of services? Comment on results:

Daily Schedule has been changed as to days & hours. If a day & hour has not drawn more than 5 is averaged 4, we drop it, and try another time.

F. Additional information about Sunday services:

1. Are ~~birthdays~~, anniversaries, and the departed regularly remembered? Yes
2. Is there a coffee or hospitality hour after any service? Yes
3. Is baby care provided during any service? Yes

VI. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

A. Church School

1. Registration and attendance

a. Teachers and staff

7

b. Students

38

Total

45

c. Lowest total classroom attendance during the past year 21

d. Highest total classroom attendance during the past year (except for Christmas and Easter) 35

e. Are absentee cards used? No

f. How many months of the year is the church school in operation? 7

g. If teachers call on students in case of absence, or for other reasons, please give details. _____

2. Worship schedule

<u>CLASS OR DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>HOOR</u>	<u>DURATION</u>	<u>LEADER</u>
<u>Primary</u>	<u>Sun</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Miss McCorkle</u>
<u>5-12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10:30</u>	<u>15-20 min</u>	<u>Rector and Ch. Sec</u>
<u>12-18</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>" Sup</u>
<u>18-25</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>25-35</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>11:15</u>	<u>45 min</u>	<u>Rector - Chancel</u>
<u>35-45</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>" - "</u>
<u>45-55</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>55-65</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>65-75</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>75-85</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>85-95</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>95-105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>105-115</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>115-125</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>125-135</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>135-145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>145-155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>155-165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>165-175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>175-185</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>185-195</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>195-205</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

E. Confirmation Instruction

1. Children

- a. What is the usual age of confirmation? 11 b. How many instruction sessions are held? 15-20 c. How long is each session? 1 hour d. Who is the instructor? Rector e. What material is used? BCP
- f. What is the relationship of the confirmation class material to the regular church school curriculum? Separate

2. Adults

- a. How many sessions are held? 15-20 b. How long is each session? 1 hour c. Who is the instructor? Rector d. What material is used? Rector's Lecture + extensive reading list.

F. Adult Education

1. List the general adult education program in the congregation, including Bible classes, parents' classes, discussion groups, etc.

NAME OF GROUP	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	NUMBER OF MEETINGS	LENGTH OF MEETINGS	INSTRUCTOR
<u>Lenten Study</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1 hr.</u>	<u>Rector or Guest</u>
<u>Adult Study/Disc</u>				
<u>Group on Sunday</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>45 min</u>	<u>Rector or Asst Rector</u>
<u>Canterbury Assoc</u>				
<u>Sun Nite</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>1 hr.</u>	<u>Various Guests</u>
<u>Layreaders</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2-3</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Rector</u>
<u>Analysts</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>2-3</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Asst Rector</u>

2. What Retreats, missions, Quiet Days, etc., have the members participated in during the last two years? Estimate the total number of participants.

*Quiet Day in Advent &
in Lent in the parish; Diocesan Quiet
Days, retreats at conv. center or elsewhere -
30*

3. What leader- and participant-training programs have been held in the last two years, such as the Indiana Plan, Parish Life Conferences, Missions, and Institutes? Estimate the total number of participants.

None

- G. How can the Christian education program of this congregation be strengthened?

*Finding out who wants what when and
by whom -*

3. Instruction schedule

[illegible]

4. List the teaching aids used, including audio-visual material.

Divide File - top - top reading.
Cover, M. K. including Handout sheets

5. Describe the program for pre-school children.

1. Nursery - general group activities games, songs, stories, etc.
2. Nursery - special group activities, simple art, etc.
3. Kindergarten - more complex - some this, some of the

6. Data on the teaching staff

a. How are teachers recruited? Recruitment by letter & Sept.

b. Describe the way in which teachers are trained, giving the number of sessions, the leaders, etc. Exercises, etc. same as before.

There are no other activities training for the parents, etc. go to the

c. How are teachers assisted in the performance of their duties?

Sept. report and in a book.

d. Summary of teachers' backgrounds

AGE		Number	EDUCATION		Number	YEARS TEACHING		Number
19 years or less		<u>2</u>	Grade school		<u>1</u>	one		<u>1</u>
20	to	29 <u>2</u>	Junior high		<u>1</u>	two		<u>1</u> N
30	to	39 <u>1</u>	Senior high		<u>2</u>	three		<u>1</u>
40	to	49 <u>1</u>	1 to 3 years		<u>1</u>	four		<u>1</u> Ghe
50 years or more		<u>2</u>	College		<u>1</u>	five		<u>1</u> M
			College grad.		<u>3</u>	6 to 10		<u>1</u> M
			Graduate study		<u>1</u>	11 to 20		<u>1</u>
Male		<u>1</u>				20 and over		<u>1</u>
Female		<u>1</u>						

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7. What problems does the church school have? _____

1) Proper facilities - plans have been formulated to improve this.

2) Getting willing, able and capable teachers

B. Vacation Church School none

1. When is it held? _____

2. For how long each day? _____

3. What type of courses are taught? _____

4. How many children attend, usually? _____

5. How many of these children are regular pupils of this congregation's church school? _____

6. How many teachers are there? _____

C. Released Time Program none

1. When are classes held? _____

2. What type of courses are taught? _____

3. How many of this congregation's children attend? _____

4. What is the relationship of the teachers to this congregation?

5. What is the relationship of the Released Time classes to the Christian education program of this congregation?

D. Day School: If the congregation has a day school, please fill out the Parochial School Report Form and submit it with this report.
None

VII. SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONS - Include, where applicable, vestry or bishop's committee, parish council, choirs, guilds, circles, ushers, acolytes (for men as well as boys), college work, etc.

A. For Women

1. Give the total number of adult women in the congregation. 75
2. Give the number of organizations for adult women. 2
3. Give the total active membership of all these organizations. 35

B. For Men

1. Give the total number of adult men in the congregation. 60
2. Give the number of organizations for adult men. 3
3. Give the total membership of all these organizations. 27

C. For Men and Women

1. Give the number of organizations for men and women. 1
2. Give the total active membership of all these organizations. 15

D. For Girls in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Total number of girls	<u>12</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
2. Number of organizations	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>—</u>
3. Total active membership	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1</u>

E. For Boys in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Total number of boys	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
2. Number of organizations	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
3. Total active membership	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

F. For Youth in:

	<u>grade school</u>	<u>junior high</u>	<u>high school</u>
1. Number of organizations	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
2. Total active membership	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

N.B. Please make a separate report for each individual organization, using the format on the following pages.

VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

A. Name ST. MARY'S ALTAR GUILD

Total active members 10 Average attendance at meetings 6

Number of meetings each month 1 Day and time of meetings 8 p.m.
Sept. - June 3rd Monday

B. Why does this organization exist?

To care for the sacred vessels and vestments and assure
that these are clean and in order for the services. To
clean and arrange the Altar and sanctuary of the church.

C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? The majority
are drawn from the women of the parish over 50 years of age .
Almost all are also active in the homes of St. Mary's.

D. Describe the worship and the educational program.

1) Worship: A prayer is said at each monthly meeting.

2) Educational Program: None

E. Describe the other activities of the organization.

See "B" above

F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?

Opportunity: To encourage more members of the Univ. of Pa.

community to share in the work. Problem: To get more members.

There are some members of the parish that have retired too soon.
One way or another these women should be encouraged to assume
activities in terms of their capacity, rather than terminate all

G. What can be done for greater effectiveness? activities.

To secure more members as indicated in "F" . To work to dispel
the idea prevailing in the Church-at-large that a parish Altar
Guild is an exclusive group to which membership can only be
obtained through some special selective process.

Signed by: C. Gilkyson

Title: _____

VIII. REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION

A. Name The Women of St. Mary's

Total active members 20 Average attendance at meetings 15

Number of meetings each month 1 Day and time of meetings 2nd Thurs. 8 p.m.
Sept. - June

B. Why does this organization exist?

To do what it can for the benefit of the parish, diocese,
and Univ. of Pa. community.

C. From what group in the congregation are the members drawn? The majority
are drawn from the women of the congregation over 50 years of
age. A small group makes up the Altar Guild.

D. Describe the worship and the educational program.

1) Worship: Have devotions at every monthly meeting; corporate
communion yearly; quiet day once or twice a year.

2) Have had monthly study programs since 1961.

E. Describe the other activities of the organization.

1) Weekly Coffee Hours (2) Annual Bazaar (3) Annual Card Party
(4) Annual Tea (5) --8 Dinners (6)-2 Receptions

F. What are the major opportunities and problems of this organization?

Opportunity: To interest more women of the parish in specific
endeavors in behalf of the parish, missions, and community.

PROBLEMS; (1) Some women of the parish do not seem to want to
participate when the present purpose is not too clear. 2) The
individual members have not worked as well together as a group
as the parish has a right to expect.

G. What can be done for greater effectiveness?

To try to make work and efforts to raise money more meaningful
to more members of the parish.

Signed by: C. Gilkyson

Title: _____

IX. CLERGY OR LAY READERS IN CHARGE SINCE 1930

NAME	APPROX. AGE AT START OF MINISTRY HERE	PERIOD OF TENURE	MOVED TO:
FRANCIS D. STEINMETZ	60	1927- 1933	RETIRED
WM. B. STIMSON	35	1934- 1941	TO ENTER U.S. ARMED SERVICES
JOHN S. STEVENSON	35	1941- 1944	BUZZARDS BAY, MASSACHUSETTS
WM. X. SMITH	36	1944- JUNE 1961	VICAR, ST. LUKE'S EDDYSTONE, PA.
RICHARD MORRIS	31	SEPT. 1961-	CONTINUED AS MIN.
JOHN M. SCOTT	34	APRIL 1962- 1962	BERK FACULTY AT PHILA. DIVINITY SCH.

A. Does the present minister live in the neighborhood? YES

Does he give full time to this church? YES If not, what other church(es) does he serve, or what other work does he do?

SERVES AS FULL TIME AS EPISCOPAL CHA.
LAIN TO THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSY.
VANIA.

B. How many people from this parish have gone into full time work for the church within the past ten years, or are now studying for such work? 4
Please give details.

- (1) JOHN CLEMENT KOLT - ORDAINED DEACON AT
ST. MARY'S - JUNE 1957
- (2) HAROLD JENKINS - 9th SENIOR YEAR STUDENT, GENERAL
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, N.Y.
- (3) CHARLES MASON - 9th JUNIOR YEAR STUDENT PHILA.
DIVINITY SCHOOL, PHILA., PA.

C. How many licensed lay readers serve the congregation now? 6

Do any lay readers from this congregation serve other congregations? No

If so, which congregations?

(4) WAYNE BORDENY '964 - FRESH YEAR STUDENT, GEN-
ERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
N.Y.

XI. CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM AND VISITATION

A. Clergy pastoral calling during the past year by rector or vicar:*

TYPE OF CALL	NUMBER OF CALLS PER WEEK		
	LOW	AVERAGE	HIGH
1. Family or routine parish	—	<u>2</u>	—
2. Sick or emergency	—	<u>4</u>	—
3. Calls for other purposes	—	<u>3</u>	—

4. Time set aside for pastoral calling:

Two half days

5. How do the clergy organize their parish calling?

It's not done

6. How do the clergy organize their calling on the unchurched and newcomers?

7. Time spent in pastoral counseling (average hours per week) 12

* Please give similar information, separately, for other clergy.

B. Lay calling:

1. Describe the Zone or Neighborhood Organization.

None

2. Describe the program of lay pastoral visitation, including the number of participants and the time spent.

Caucass type mainly; some laymen
asked to call by clergy ad hoc —
20 participants — 50-60 hrs.

3. Describe the program of lay evangelism (including the congregation's approach to newcomers and to the unchurched), giving the number of participants and the amount of time.

receiving them at coffee hour only

4. How are newcomers integrated into the life of this congregation?

Introduced to persons in similar situations,
interests or acquaint with areas of
parish life - invited into by person in charge.

5. Describe any religious census of the area made by the congregation itself or with other churches during the last ten years.

Last yr - made 122 contacts in five-
block area west of Church by seven
volunteers

XII. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. What use is made of the press? Adv. in Sat. Bulletin
about 1/2 the yr.

- B. What use is made of radio and/or television? None

- C. What use is made of the U.S. Mail? Monthly parish
letter

- D. Describe the regular publications which are mailed or distributed, including Sunday bulletins, parish newsletters, etc.

Sunday pew leaflet with informative notes &
calendar; monthly parish letter

- E. How many church road signs are there? 1

XIII. NEIGHBORHOOD OR COMMUNITY

A. Is this congregation community-minded? See added sheet

B. Describe the clergy participation in community affairs. The parish is represented on the Citizen's Committee on Public Education, Opportunities Industrial Center, N.A.A.C.P., and E.C.R.U. by her several clergy.

C. Describe the participation of the congregation in community affairs.
See added sheet

D. Describe the general parish program for the community (including such church-sponsored programs as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.):

E. List community organizations using the parish hall and its facilities:

(1) Eastern Star

(2) Philadelphia Model Railroad Club

F. Describe the way in which the congregation cooperates with other religious bodies:

See added sheet

XIII. A. The answers to XIII. B., C., and F. all bear on this question. In addition to the responses there given, we cite.....

- (1) A canvas of the immediate neighborhood during the second week of March, 1964, introducing St. Mary's to those having escaped prior acquaintance.
- (2) Participation of six parish-members as tutors in the supervised study program organized at St. Bartholomew's during February, 1964.
- (3) Current consideration by the vestry of the possibility of establishing a day nursery.

XIII. C. Without suggesting that a census of the parish was taken on this point, or that the majority of the congregation are necessarily participants, we cite.....

- (1) Membership in neighborhood associations, e.g., Spruce Hill Association, Powelton Neighbors
- (2) Work for the two major political parties, including two ward committeemen.
- (3) Activity as Scout and Home & School Association officials.
- (4) Volunteer service for the Philadelphia General Hospital.

XIII. F. (1) In January, "The ecumenical gathering off all Christian campus groups at St. Mary's.....was attended by about 150 persons, and marked the first such talks and prayers together on the campus." Informal weekly conversations continue.

(2) The 1964 Easter Vigil was shared by the congregations of St. Mary's and St. Bede's (R.C.) Chapel. The service began at St. Mary's and concluded at St. Bede's, with the combined choirs under the direction of Father Evans.

XIV. PARTICIPATION IN DIOCESAN AND NATIONAL CHURCH PROGRAMS:

A. What offices do the clergy hold in the diocese, missionary district, or National Church? -----

B. What offices do the lay people hold in the diocese, missionary district, or National Church? One layman is the Delegate of the Convocation of West Philadelphia to the Executive Committee of the Diocese. In this capacity he serves in the Department of Christian Social Relations and the Department of Missions.

C. What diocesan or National Church programs have directly benefited this congregation? While not a benefit rendered by a "program," that the Bishop has named St. Mary's the University Church of Episcopalians has greatly aided the health of the parish.

D. Describe the men's participation in diocesan programs: One is a member of, and several others attend meetings of, the Catholic Layman's Union.

E. Describe the women's participation in diocesan programs: Several attend either the afternoon or evening meetings at Church House or the Conference Center; two of these are members of the Diocese Altar Guild.

F. Describe youth participation in diocesan programs: -----

G. Does this congregation pay its full Missionary Share or Quota? Has met its accepted share, though not always the assigned quota.

H. What percent of the congregation's budget does for missionary work? Approximately 10%

XVI. FUTURE POLICY, PROGRAM, AND BUDGET

- A. In adopting a policy for an expanded program for this congregation, in order to vitalize its Christian witness to the community; to extend its outreach of Christian fellowship to all the unchurched; to increase initiative and responsibility for all members of the congregation; to develop local financial resources with a view towards self-support and parochial status (if not already attained); and to further other essential advances, what are the immediate needs as to:

1. Personnel: Refer to attached sheet

2. Buildings: " " "

3. Equipment: " " "

- B. What are the major opportunities that face this congregation?

Refer to attached sheet

- C. What are the major problems that face this congregation?

ditto

- D. What program needs seem evident on the basis of this Study?

ditto

- E. What would be the approximate capital cost to meet these needs?

ditto

F. What would be the annual operating budget to maintain the program?

ditto

G. What steps are now being taken locally to meet these needs and opportunities?

ditto

H. What steps are now being taken by the diocese or district, or might be taken, to assist in meeting these needs and opportunities?

Saint Mary's Parish does not anticipate requesting assistance from the Diocese to implement its program.

I. Further data or comment on the general needs and problems of this congregation:

VALUE OF CHURCH & PARISH HOUSE \$580,000 -
CONTENTS OF PARISH HOUSE & CHURCH \$20,000 -
LAND VALUE \$50,000 -; VALUE OF INSURANCE \$512,000

The data in this report were furnished by the following committee:

NAME	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF YEARS IN PARISH
<u>Harley E. Smith</u>	<u>Credit Analyst</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Robert D. Weidenbrocker</u>	<u>Dev Engng Tech</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Wm. Christman, III</u>	<u>Historian</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Charles E. Simpson</u>	<u>Researcher</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>J. Charles Lippincott</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>6</u>

Date completed: _____

Future Policy, Program & Budget

A.1. Personnel

To operate the child day care center of 60 children (see paragraph B3) will require 2 teachers, one for each 30 children. The salaried teachers will be assisted by mothers of the enrolled children. The mothers will assist at the school on a volunteer basis for one morning or 1 afternoon a month.

A.2. Buildings

The second floor of the parish house is to be remodelled so that the facilities can be used as a child day care center during the week and as a Sunday School. The plans will meet the specifications of the City of Philadelphia. The church will be remodelled. The plans for the interior of the church call for a free standing altar at the transept of the church. The choir will be seated in an arc about the organ console both of which will be located in the choir along the longitudinal axis of the church. The choir will face the congregation. The working organ

A.2 Buildings continued :-

pews will be located in the apse at floor level thereby freeing All Saints Chapel for additional seating. The existing working sacristy will be modernized. A modern clergy sacristy will be built ~~at~~ in the corner where the church and ~~corner~~ cloister meet. This location will be adjacent to the Memorial Chapel which will be built ~~along the east~~ parallel to the east wall of the cloister. The Memorial Chapel will be designed ~~to~~ around the altar presently in the apse of the church.

The existing steeple which is slowly crumbling will be replaced by an aluminum and glass steeple which will be internally floodlit.

A.3 Equipment :-

Required are desks and chairs for the new school as well as chairs, ~~are~~ kneelers, prayer books and hymnals for the memorial chapel. Housekeeping accessories for the working sacristy as well as those accessories for the clergy sacristy.

- ① To integrate the students into the life of the Parish and end the former situation of two congregations within one building.
- ② To get to know the faculty Episcopals from the University of Pennsylvania so that the Chaplaincy may minister to them, and they may contribute their talents and commitments to the Church's witness here.
- ③ To operate a child day care center and kindergarten which will minister to the University City Community. The center will be open to all races, colors and creeds. The instruction at the center to be ~~the~~ Episcopal oriented.
- ④ To foster further interest and understanding in the Ecumenical movement.

XVI C :-

To win parishioners of St. Mark to a real acceptance of the role of the Parish in ministering to the University Community and presenting the Episcopal Church as ministering to all men in Christ's name.

XVI D :-

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- ① To co-operate with the program of the Christian Association.
- ② To make worship and the spiritual life the focus and support of all other activities centered at St. Mary's, and to encourage that participation before any other.
- ③ To maintain freedom in programming so that different approaches to students might be tried out.
- ④ To bring into our midst persons from the Church at large who could stimulate our ~~stimulating~~ our thinking and deepen our commitment to Christ and his Church.

XVI E :-

The approximate capital cost to meet these needs is \$175,000-

XVI F :-

The present annual operating budget for the church is \$32,000.
The projected annual operating budget for the child day care center is \$11,250.-

XVI G :-

At the urging of the Reverend John W. Scott the vestry formed a long range planning committee to ~~last~~ study how best St. Mary's Church could best meet the needs of University City. Upon completion of a study of the physical plant the planning committee recommended that Mr. Roland Taylor Addis A.I.A. be engaged to study how best St. Mary's Church could improve its existing facilities and to submit preliminary sketches.

The University of Pennsylvania has urged St. Mary's Church to study the feasibility of starting a child day care center using Church facilities. The study was made and the architect will submit his recommendations.

REPORTED MEMBERSHIP FROM MAPSPH-69
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St. Mary's Church submitted a map on which were shown the places of residence of 327 persons. As might be expected, West Philadelphia contains the largest grouping of members, the area between Baltimore Avenue and Market Street having the highest concentration of all. A number of individual members come from widely separated parts of the city, as well. There does not seem to be any strong pattern to the scattering.

St. Mary's Church may intend to minister to the University community and to the surrounding areas, but its congregation cannot really be said to provide a very firm base for such a ministry.

MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTION TABLE

PARISH

CENSUS TRACT OR AREA	NUMBER OF MAPPED MEMBERS	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL MAPPED MEMBERSHIP
	1	
	1	
	1	
	1	
	1	
	2	
	1	
	4	
	2	
	1	
	2	
	1	
	2	
	1	
	2	
	7	
	1	
	3	
	2	
	1	
	5	
	1	
	3	
X	77	
	109	
	5	
	3	
29 A	1	
31 A	1	
33 C	1	
35 A	1	
35 E	1	
38 C	1	
40 E	1	
40 S	1	
42 A	1	
44 A	1	
44 C	3	
45 G	1	
46 A	19	
46 B	2	
46 F	1	
46 G	3	
47 Y	20	
48 I	6	
51 E	1	
51 G	2	
51 I	1	
51 J	4	
51 K	2	
51 L	1	
51 M	1	
	1	
	27	
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REPORTED MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL DATA FROM JOURNALS

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From 1940 through 1961, the reported membership figures for St. Mary's Church showed a general rise. 1962 and 1963 figures show a considerable drop, perhaps due to a change in the method of membership counting.

From 1961 through 1963 the number of baptisms averaged 4.7% of the communicant strength while the confirmations averaged 3.8%. In 1962 and 1963, however, the ratios were much higher, due to the drastic drop in the number of reported communicants. In general, it can be said that the higher the ratios of baptisms and of confirmations are to the communicant strength, the more stable is the future of the congregation. That rule-of-thumb may not apply strictly to St. Mary's Church, since it has a somewhat specialized ministry. But any variation from the present high ratios should be carefully scrutinized.

The total reported expenditures for St. Mary's Church have increased substantially over the years. From 1961 through 1963 the average annual expenditure per communicant was \$137.04 which is itself a commendable figure, especially when compared with the diocesan average of \$73.71 and the national average of approximately \$96.00. With the decrease in the reported communicant strength the average expenditures per communicant have risen greatly, being well over \$200.00 both in 1962 and 1963.

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During that same time, 1961 to 1963, the congregation of St. Mary's Church set aside only 7.8% of its total reported expenditures for extra-parochial purposes. That figure should be compared with the diocesan ratio of 14.9%, the Philadelphia ratio of 12.2%, and the West Philadelphia ratio of 15.1%.

VITAL STATISTICS

PARISH ST. MARY
 COUNTY PHILADELPHIA

TOWN HAMILTON VILLAGE
 DIOCESE PENNSYLVANIA

	1940	1945	1950	1955	1960	1961	1962	1963
Baptized Members	* 196	400	500	570	550	554	241	289
Communicants	196	281	323	312	330	327	104	123
Church School	20	26	52	57	18	25	33	46
Baptisms	7	10	6	9	8	9	5	12
Percentage of Communicants	3.6	3.6	1.9	2.9	2.4	2.8	4.8	9.8
Confirmations	7	-	9	7	16	5	7	9
Percentage of Communicants	3.6	-	2.8	2.2	4.8	1.5	6.7	7.3
Parochial Expenditures 1	7,802	11,766	12,645	16,049	18,683	18,435	17,450	19,717
Special Par. Expenditures 2	1,677	3,942	3,838	995	2,282	2,371	4,483	7,573
Extra-parochial Expenditures 3	1,922	2,000	2,403	2,400	2,100	2,100	1,500	2,290
Total Reported Expenditures	11,401	17,708	18,886	19,444	23,065	22,906	23,433	29,580
Expenditures per Communicant	58.17	63.02	58.47	62.32	69.89	70.05	225.32	240.49
Extra-parochial Expenditures per Communicant	9.81	7.12	7.44	7.69	6.36	6.42	14.42	18.62

* GDRFS ESTIMATE (NR)

- 1 Includes clergy salary, current expense, pension premium, and Diocesan assessment.
- 2 Special parish purposes, including capital expenditures.
- 3 Includes Church's Program, special outside.

DATA ON THE CONGREGATION

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The Episcopal Census for St. Mary's Church includes information on only 200 respondents, 14 of whom are not members of the Episcopal Church. That proportion is not large enough for an analysis to be statistically valid so no tables or commentary have been prepared. The congregation is urged to take a more complete census of itself for use in its own self-evaluation. If desired, the General Division of Research and Field Study will analyze an additional census, as time is available.

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, Hamilton Village, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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One of the major purposes of the Diocesan Survey is to stimulate individual congregations to study themselves and their communities with a view toward long-range planning. St. Mary's Church has anticipated that the purpose of the Survey and the major findings of the analysis by the General Division of Research and Field Study are that of commendation and encouragement. It is hoped that the congregation will make the long-range planning committee a permanent concept, even if not a permanent institution. The combination of the long view and flexibility is an exciting one and should produce interesting and effective results.

The Self-Study Form gives a good deal of information on proposed building changes, partly to accommodate the day nursery and partly for the improvement of the rest of the plant. No information is available in the Self-Study Form concerning the finances of the congregation and the General Division of Research and Field Study can only hope that the necessary money will be forthcoming. The size of the congregation would seem to impose strict limitations on any remodelling, but there may well be resources which are not readily apparent.

It has been observed that Episcopalians are reluctant to be evangelists because of the prevalent limited knowledge of the Church among its members. One of the major responsibilities of St. Mary's Church is that of spreading the Good News throughout the university community and throughout the surrounding residential areas. It is somewhat surprising to find only a small group of people engaged in formal studying about the teachings of Christianity. It may be that adult education is emphasized more than is readily apparent. In any event it certainly is a necessary prerequisite for effective witnessing. Emphasis on intellectual understanding does not, of course, eliminate the basic requirement for evangelism and fervor, qualities which must be caught and have seldom, if ever, been taught in formal classes.

The entire life of a congregation is involved in the evolution of a desire on the part of persons to be evangelists. Education is closely related, however, and can at least serve to channel enthusiasm.

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As the congregation works through individual circumstances, it may wish to apply the concept of temporary commissions to accomplish particular tasks, as opposed to permanent committees or organizations which frequently come to have more of bureaucracy than of function for their existence. The people with the desired aptitudes for a particular task might be hard at work for two or three months, and then might disband, leaving no fossil committee behind.

St. Mary's Church may wish to get in touch with St. Andrew's Church, State College, in the Diocese of Harrisburg. It is a congregation which is also working in a university community and which has been exploring various avenues of church work. The circumstances of St. Andrew's and St. Mary's are dissimilar in many respects, but some cross-fertilization may be possible.